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SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED REMAINS - BIMINI, BAHAMAS

1. BAHAMAS POLICE HEADQUARTERS (NASSAU) HAS ADVISED EMBASSY
THEIR POLICE AT BIMINI HAVE TAKEN FOUR VERY BADLY DECOMPOSED
BODIES FROM SEA OFF BIMINI, ONE AT BIMINI AND THREE SOUTH
BIMINI

2. POLICE BIMINI AT FIRST BELIEVED BODIES WERE HAITIANS
BUT NOW BELIEVE THEY ARE CAUCASIANS, PRELIMINARY INDICATION
ALL FOUR ARE MALES BUT SEX CANNOT RPT CANNOT
ACTUALLY BE DETERMINED ON BASIS SKETCHY REPORTS SO FAR
RECEIVED FROM POLICE AT BIMINI.

3. POLICE HAVE SENT BAHAMIAN GOVT PATHOLOGIST, DR.
JOAN READ, AND FINGERPRINT TEAM TO BIMINI TO DO POST
MORTEMS ON REMAINS AND DETERMINE, IF POSSIBLE, IN VIEW
CONDITIONS OF REMAINS, AGE, SEX OF PERSONS INVOLVED.

4. SINCE REMAINS COULD WELL BE THOSE OF AMCITS ABOARD
AIRCRAFT OR BOATS MISSING MIAMI AREA, BAHAMAS POLICE
AND EMBASSY WORKING DIRECTLY WITH US COAST GUARD, MIAMI,
AND FAMILIES OF MISSING AMCITZ IN ATTEMPT MAKE
POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION. IN VIEW, HOWEVER, REPORTED
CONDITIONS OF REMAINS, POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION MAY NOT
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RPT NOT BE POSSIBLE.

5. DEPARTMENT SHOULD ALSO BE AWARE THAT IN VIEW OF
SERIOUSLY DECOMPOSED CONDITIONS OF REMAINS, DR. READ
WILL PROBABLY BE FORCED UNDER BAHAMIAN PUBLIC HEALTH
REGULATIONS TO DISPOSE OF REMAINS IMMEDIATELY (IE,
BEFORE END OF DAY) EITHER BY BURIAL OR CREMATION.

6. EMBASSY WILL KEEP DEPARTMENT ADVISED AS ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION BECOMES AVAILABLE.
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